Kentucky Department of Corrections

Shawn Adkins Promoted to Deputy Warden at Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 28, 2016) **–** Kentucky Department of Corrections Commissioner Rodney Ballard today announced the promotion of Shawn Adkins to Deputy Warden at Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women (KCIW) in Pewee Valley. His promotion was effective July 16.

"Shawn Adkins has the solid level of experience and leadership skills that our institution need in a deputy warden," said Ballard. "He has an excellent work ethic and a bright career in front of him."

Adkins has been with the Kentucky Department of Corrections for 13 years, having held the ranks of Correctional Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain, as well as Internal Affairs Captain. He began his career in 2003 as a Correctional Officer at KCIW and was promoted to sergeant two years later. In this role, he also took on the role of institutional armorer, responsible for maintaining monthly inventories and maintenance of all weapons and ammunition. He also became the institution's Firearms Instructor, responsible for assisting in annual firing range requalification for staff. He was then promoted to Lieutenant, conducting adjustment committee hearings and assisting in shift supervision.

In 2009, he was promoted to Captain and was responsible for dayshift supervision. In 2012, he was reassigned as the Internal Affairs Officer for the institution. As the Internal Affairs Captain, he conducted investigations into illegal activities of inmates and staff. He also served as the primary Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Investigator and was responsible for training new PREA investigators at KCIW.

"Throughout his career, Shawn Adkins has demonstrated the highest degree of professionalism and integrity, and has earned the respect of both staff and inmates," said KCIW Warden Janet Conover. "His knowledge and experience will be an invaluable asset to KCIW."

Editor's note: photo attached

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